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In re Patent Application of:
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For: ALIGNMENT OF INSTRUCTIONS AND REPLIES ACROSS MULTIPLE DEVICES IN A CASCADED SYSTEM, USING BUFFERS OF PROGRAMMABLE DEPTHS | Examiner: D. E. Martinez

## RESPONSE TO ELECTION OF SPECIES REQUIREMENT

MS Amendment
Commissioner for Patents
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Dear Sir:

In response to the election requirement, applicant hereby elects the species shown in FIG. 8. At least claims 1-8, 11-17, 19-22, 28-29, 32-33 and 55-62 read on the elected species.

Although the application does not agree with the election requirement's designation of every figure in the present application as corresponding to a distinct species, the election is made without traverse to further the prosecution of the application.

An action on the merits of all the claims and a Notice of Allowance thereof are respectfully requested.

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Respectfully submitted,

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